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Mr. Bob Best, from Concord, California is a retired Sgt. from the State Patrol. He is a collector of guns, mostly colt revolvers. His wife gave him a revolver for his anniversary and engraved on the butt of the gun was "J.D. Currie" and Mr. Currie's unit number from the army. Mr. Best wanted to find the history of the gun and traced it thru the "Colt Firearms Manufacturing Co's" historical unit to San Francisco. He followed other sources, then pursued it thru the Minnesota National Guard and historical unit and Spanish American War---this being how Mr. Best traced Mr. Currie to Camas. Going thru the Camas Chamber of Commerce, then thru Brent Erickson, he finally made contact with Virginia Warren.

Virginia mailed Mr. Best all the information about Mr. Currie and about the Camp Currie Youth Camp, including a small picture of Mr. Currie. In return, Mr. Best mailed me a picture of himself and the revolver, plus history on the Thirteenth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, Spanish American War (to learn a little of where Mr. Currie had been during his army years). All this information has been put into the Camp Currie Scrap Book for future generations to enjoy.

Virginia Warren